

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 4, 9, 11, 15, 20, 22, and 26 have been rewritten to independent form, including all limitations of their respective base claims. In accordance with item 4 of the Action, these claims are understood to be allowable.

Independent claims 1, 3, 12, 14, and 25 are amended in the foregoing in a manner submitted to render the same allowable over the art of record, as later discussed.

Claims 8/7 and 19/18 are canceled.

New independent claims 27 and 28 are added.

No new matter is presented and, accordingly, approval and entry of the amended and new claims are respectfully requested.

ITEM 2: REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1, 2, 7, 8, 12-13, 18 AND 19 FOR ANTICIPATION UNDER 35 USC § 102(e) BY HA ET AL. (USP '779); AND

ITEM 3: REJECTION OF CLAIMS 3, 5-6, 14, 16-17 AND 23-25 FOR ANTICIPATION UNDER 35 USC § 102(e) BY NAKAHARA ET AL. (UPS '819)

The rejections are respectfully traversed.

As above noted, the independent claims of these two sets of rejected claims, namely, claims 1, 3, 12, 14, and 25, have been amended to recite that the shielding part is --not connected to-- the corresponding bus electrode, a feature of the present invention. Neither of Ha et al. or Nakahara et al. discloses that feature.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the anticipation rejection is overcome and furthermore that independent claims 1, 3, 12, 14 and 25 are allowable over the art of record.

The dependent claims of these allowable claims inherit the limitations thereof and, accordingly, are likewise allowable over the art of record. In that regard, claim 2/1, claims 5/3, 6/3, and 23/3, claims 13/12, 18/12, 20/12, 21/20 and 22/12, claims 15/14 through 17/14 and 24/14 and claim 26/25, respectively depending directly or indirectly from the noted independent claims 1, 3, 12, 14 and 25, are submitted to be allowable.

CONCLUSION

There being no other objections or rejections, it is submitted that the pending claims patentably distinguish over the art of record and, there being no other objections or rejections, that the application is in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

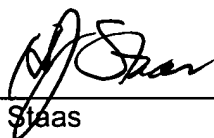
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Respectfully submitted,

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